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Dear Dr. Rose,

You college-educated ignoramuses did not invent ecological interests, either. I used clear-sided paper. This particular page is from something you said I'd not done in going over two decades.

Not feeling up to writing today, not uncommon at 80 with many illnesses, I caught up on some filing. It accumulates because that is both awkward and painful for me. I came on one of your pieces of such conspicuous/fine "research" that you chided me for not supporting it, along with other insolence and self-importance. It is Melanson's titled "Hidden Exposure," beginning on page 13 of the issue not indicted on this copy. It ends on the page with what I am sure is a work of rare genius, "Loose Ends in the Death of George DEMOHNRENSCHILDT." With your flaunting of your ignorance and insolence and arrogance and childishness fairly fresh in mind, I decided to waste a little time to read it. By the way, feel free to give him a copy of this as well as to those other young fogies of yours.

Melanson undoubtedly has the critique I was asked for when his outrageous ms on Oswald as in the publisher's hands. I gave my OK. Why don't you ask that eminent scholar of yours for the copy I authorized be given to him?

Aside from vagueness and a lack of use of the readily-available names, which apparently did not offend you and your concepts of editing, he launches into the most incredible, impossible - if he were not the subject ignoramus all of you are - conjectures which soon become statements of fact and as fact are the basis for more insanity.

And so you'll know how closely all of you follow my work for which you professed such great respect. Drago in particular, some of what he gurgled bullshit over I published in 1967, the CIA's getting a copy of the Z film for "training" in it my third of the Whitewash series. And in its 1967 reprinting that stuff about the NPIC's analysis of the Z film.

Now if your eminent scholar from the muck of MURKIN, which entails simple professional honesty as all you sandbox scholars were not informed enough to perceive, had remembered, if he read my Whitewash II (published 12/1/66) he would have had difficulty, even for him, in concocting his mishmash of wishful thinking, utter nonsense and just plain lies.

I have no objection at all to his uncredited use of what was published earlier. I'm happier not to be connected with any of this swill. But that is scholarship? That is what you chide me for not "supporting"? I should waste time on those who cannot distinguish between their ambitions and their assholes?

You (pl.) are entitled to be as stupid, as self-important, and far in the past as you never really learned about and can't even get straight now as you want to be, but that does not license you to chide me as you did, to pontificate as you did, to be so utterly unaware of realities as you are. And to be insulting about it and more. Harold Weisberg

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